# FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

### Giant Forest Area

#### GIANT FOREST SEQUOIA GROVE

6400' (1950m) elevation. Home of the world's biggest trees, it offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking trails. See page 6 for highlights. Check page 3 and your map for picnic areas.

- Giant Forest Museum (NPS): Daily 9am-4:30pm through 5/25 then 8am-5pm. Explore exhibits about the amazing Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 559-565-4480.
- Family Nature Center at Beetle Rock (NPS): Opening in July!

#### CRYSTAL CAVE - Daily tours starting May 13

This cavern is one of the highlights of the park! Tickets are **not** sold at the cave; see page 3 for details and schedule.

# Lodgepole Area

#### LODGEPOLE VILLAGE

6700' (2040 m) elevation. This village is a few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. For nearby picnic areas see page 3 and your map. Lodgepole Village offers:

#### **INFORMATION (NPS)**

- Visitor Center: Opens 5/13 daily 9am-4:30pm through 5/25 then 7am-5pm. Starting 5/13, Crystal Cave tickets sold until 3:45pm. Exhibits on geology & forest life; books, maps, first aid. New "Bears of the Sierra" movie. 1-559-565-4436.
- Wilderness Permits: Required for backcountry overnight trips. Selfregister outside the visitor center through 5/26. Starting 5/26 go to the visitor center daily 7am-3:45pm. 559-565-4408.

#### FOOD & SHOPS (DNCPR)

- Lodgepole Market & Gift Shop: Starting 4/8, daily 10am-4pm through 5/5; 9am-6pm 5/6-25; then 8am-8pm. Supplies, bear canisters, gifts, premade sandwiches, ice cream.
- Harrison Grill: Open 5/26. Daily 8am-8pm. Breakfast, hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza.
- Watchtower Deli: Opens 5/26. Daily 11am-6pm. Sandwiches, salads.

#### **OTHER SERVICES**

- Lodgepole Campground (NPS): Open all year. Details on page 11.
- Laundry and Showers (DNCPR): Laundry open 4/8 daily 10am-4pm through 5/5; 9am-6pm 5/6-25; then 8am-8pm. Last load of laundry in I hour before closing. Showers open 5/6-25 9am-5:45pm, then 8am-7:45pm. Showers closed daily 1-3pm for cleaning.
- Post Office: Weekdays 8am-ıpm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678. Lobby with stamp machine open 24 hours. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.

#### **WUKSACHI VILLAGE**

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Open year-round 4 miles (6.4 km) north of the General Sherman Tree. The center for lodging and food services in Sequoia Park.

#### FOOD, SHOPS & LODGING (DNCPR)

- Dining Room: Through 5/25, breakfast 7:30-9:30am; lunch 11:30am-2:00pm; dinner 5-9pm. Starting 5/26, 7-10am, 11:30am-2:00pm & 5-10pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. 559-565-4070. Lounge daily 5-9pm through 5/25, then 5-10pm.
- Gift Shop: Daily 8am-7pm through 5/25, then 8am-8pm. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing, art, snacks.
- Wuksachi Lodge: See page 10 for details.

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have made it easy for Wuksachi Lodge guests to contribute to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.

Ask about the **Guest Donation Program** when you check in!

#### **WOLVERTON MEADOWS**

7200' (2160 m) elevation. This open grassy area is just 2 miles (3.2km) north of the General Sherman Tree.

Wolverton BBQ (DNCPR): Beginning 6/23, Friday-Sunday weather permitting. All-you-can-eat barbeque, served outdoors starting at 6pm.

#### POTENTIAL ROAD DELAYS

Road work may take place on the Generals Highway between Hospital Rock and Giant Forest later this summer. For current information on road conditions, call the park before your next visit.

# NATURE PROGRAMS



At Giant Forest, Lodgepole, Wuksachi & the Foothills, rangers may offer Saturday evening talks plus some weekend walks.

Saturday wildflower walks are given in the foothills until May 14.

On Memorial Day weekend, some programs are being offered on Saturday, Sunday & Monday, May 27-29. Starting mid-June, daily programs begin in several areas. Check bulletin boards for schedules.

## Foothills Area

500-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. A land of oaks, chaparral, and river canyons, hot summers and snow-free winters, the foothills have the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is here at Ash Mountain. In addition to picnic areas (page 3), the foothills offer:

- Visitor Center (NPS): Daily 8am-4:30pm through 5/27, then 8am-5pm. Open until 6pm starting late June. Starting 5/13, Crystal Cave tickets sold until 3:45pm. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid, local wilderness permits. 559-565-3135.
- Potwisha Campground (NPS): Year-round. Details on page 9.

New gate: Until Friday, May 26, Mineral King Road is gated at the park boundary, about 9 miles from Highway 198. Visitors may go through with a permit from the Foothills Visitor Center.

This gate was needed for law-enforcement reasons. We regret any inconvenience.

Mineral King Area
Be aware: In spring & early summer, marmots chew on hoses & wiring in cars parked in upper Mineral King. Ask for information. 7800' (2380 m) elevation. This beautiful subalpine river valley at the end of a steep, narrow, difficult road (no RVs, buses, or trailers, please) has no electricity or gasoline. Mineral King offers:

- Ranger Station (NPS): Starting 5/26 daily 8am-4:30pm (hikers register for wilderness permits on the porch until then). A small visitor center with exhibits on area history, books, maps, local wilderness permits, first aid, & bear canisters. 559-565-3768.
- Silver City Mountain Resort: Open 5/26, weather permitting. Cabins, chalets. Restaurant, bakery, showers & small store (gifts, limited supplies & ice; no gasoline or fishing licenses) 8am-8pm Thursday-Monday, Tuesday-Wednesday 8am-5pm (restaurant closed). Summer 559-561-3223; winter 805-461-3223; www.silvercityresort. com.
- Camping (NPS): First night 5/27. No RVs or trailers. Details: page II.